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1. LETTER PUBLISHED PRAVDA AUGUST 29, WHICH SIGNED BY 40 MEMBERS OF USSR ACADEMY OF SCIENCES, CONCERNED RECENT STATEMENTS TO PRESS BY ACADEMICIAN A. D. SAKHAROV.

2. LETTER MAKES FOLLOWING POINTS: A. IN RECENT YEARS SAKHAROV HAS LEFT ACTIVE SCIENTIFIC WORK AND MADE NUMBER OF DECLARATIONS SMEARING SOVIET GOVERNMENTAL STRUCTURE AND ITS INTERNAL AND FOREIGN POLICIES. B. IN RECENT INTERVIEW SAKHAROV SPOKE AGAINST SOVIET POLICY OF RELAXING INTERNATIONAL TENSIONS. THESE STATEMENTS ARE ALIEN TO INTERESTS OF ALL "PROGRESSIVE PEOPLE." C. SAKHAROV IDENTIFIED HIMSELF WITH "REACTIONARY IMPERIALIST CIRCLES" ACTIVELY OPPOSING POLICY OF PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE AND, THROUGH HIS STATEMENTS, HAS BECOME "PROPAGANDA TOOL" HOSTILE TO THE SOVIET UNION AND TO OTHER SOCIALIST COUNTRIES.

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D. "WE EXPRESS OUR INDIGNATION AT THE STATEMENTS OF

ACADEMICIAN A. D. SAKHAROV AND STRONGLY CONDEMN HIS
ACTIVITY WHICH BESMIRCHES THE HONOR AND DIGNITY OF A
SOVIET SCHOLAR. WE HOPE THAT ACADEMICIAN SAKHAROV
WILL PONDER WHAT HE IS DOING."

3. LETTER IS SIGNED BY FOLLOWING ACADEMICIANS:

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| 1. N. G. BASOV | 16. A. N. NESMEYANOV |
| 2. N. V. BELOV | 17. A. M. OBUKHOV |
| 3. N. N. BUGOLYUBOV | 18. YU. A. OVCHINNIKOV |
| 4. A. E. BRAUNSHTEIN | 19. A. I. OPARIN |
| 5. A. P. VINOGRADOV | 20. B. E. PATON |
| 6. S. V. VONSOVSKIY | 21. B. N. PETROV |
| 7. B. M. BUL | 22. P. N. POSPELOV |
| 8. N. P. DUBININ | 23. A. M. PROKHOROV |
| 9. N. M. ZHAVORONKOV | 24. O. A. REUTOV |
| 10. B. M. KEDROV | 25. A. M. RUMYANTSEV |
| 11. M. V. KELDYSH | 26. L. I. SEDOV |
| 12. V. A. KOTELNIKOV | 27. N. N. SEMENOV |
| 13. G. V. KURDYUMOV | 28. D. V. SKOBELTSYN |
| 14. A. A. LOGUNOV | 29. S. L. SOBOLEV |
| 15. M. A. MARKOV | 30. V. I. SPITSYN |
| 31. V. D. TIMAKOV | 36. A. N. FRUMKIN |
| 32. A. N. TIKHONOV | 37. YU. B. KHARITON |
| 33. B. M. TUCHKEVICH | 38. M. B. KHRAPCHENKO |
| 34. P. N. FEDOSEYEV | 39. P. A. CHERENKOV |
| 35. I. M. FRANK | 40. V. A. ENGELGARDT |

4. IN A SUBSEQUENT LETTER TO PRAVDA AUGUST 31,
ACADEMICIAN N. TSITSIN SUBSCRIBED TO ABOVE LETTER.
PRAVDA SEPT 1 PUBLISHED SEPARATE LETTERS FROM
ACADEMICIAN V. GLUSHKOV AND I. PETRYANOV.

5. EMBASSY MOSCOW WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION ON
DEVELOPMENTS REGARDING PUGWASH CONFERENCE DISCUSSION
OF SAKHAROV STATEMENTS WHICH EMBASSY HELSINKI MAY BE
ABLE DEVELOP.
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